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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

VILLIAM F. STOUT et al.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 23313-1450

Sir:

This amendment and response is a reply to the Office Action mailed September 17, 2003 in the above-identified application. This reply is being filed with a Petition for a One (1) Month Extension of Time together with the petition fee of \$55.00 and is therefore considered timely filed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional extension and filing fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0436. The following remarks and amendments are respectfully submitted.